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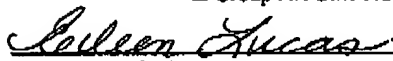
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
MAILED SEPTEMBER 22, 2005

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 22, 2005. Enclosed is a Petition  
for a one month extension of time which will extend the time for reply to January 22, 2006.